January Job Postings
2025-2026 Comparison

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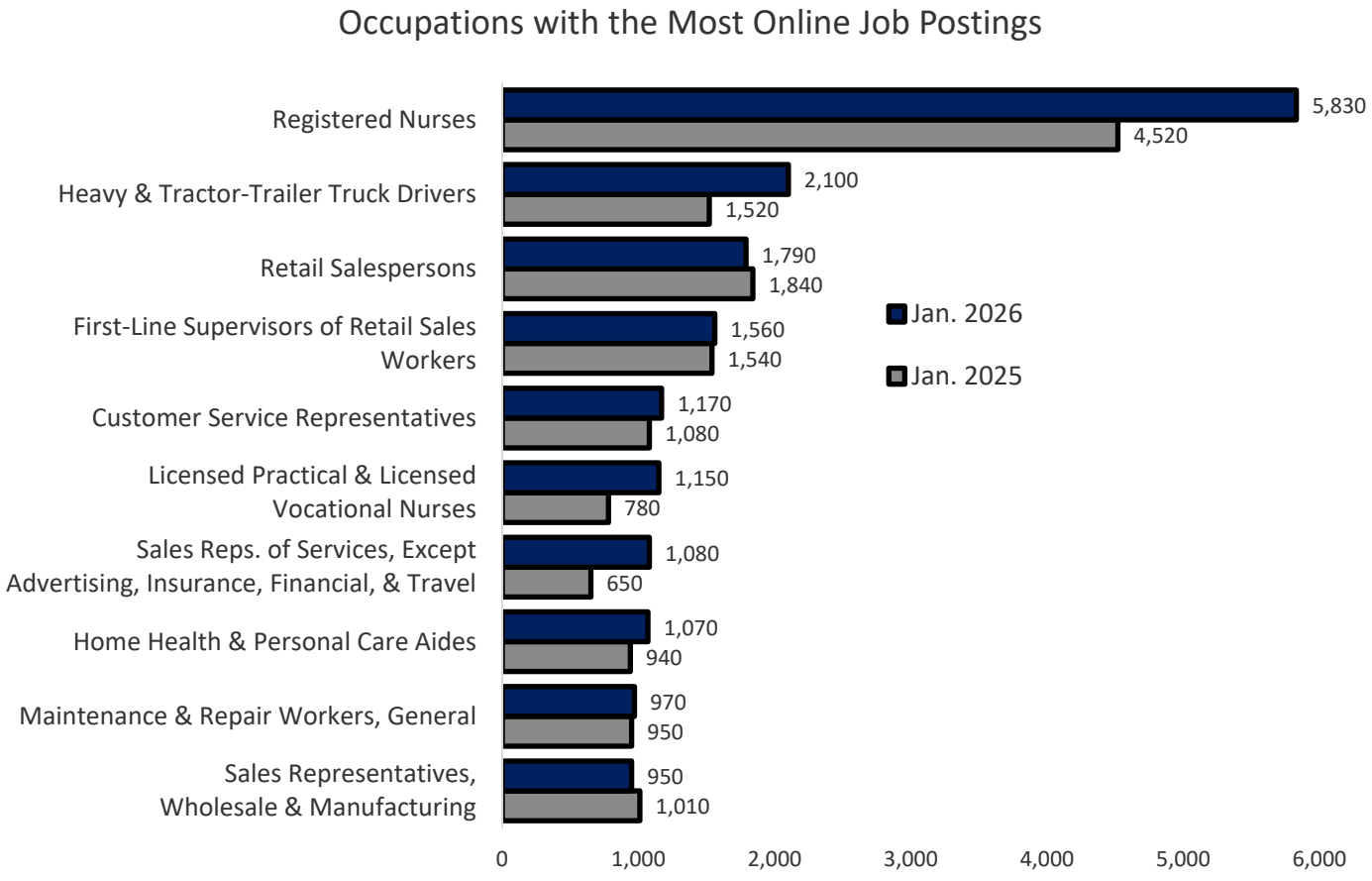
Job Demand

Job postings increased 12.1 percent from January 2025 to January 2026. In January 2026, there were 75,130 online job postings compared to 67,030 in January 2025. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 3.9 percent in Missouri remained same as last month's (December 2025) and last year's (January 2025) rate of 3.9 percent.

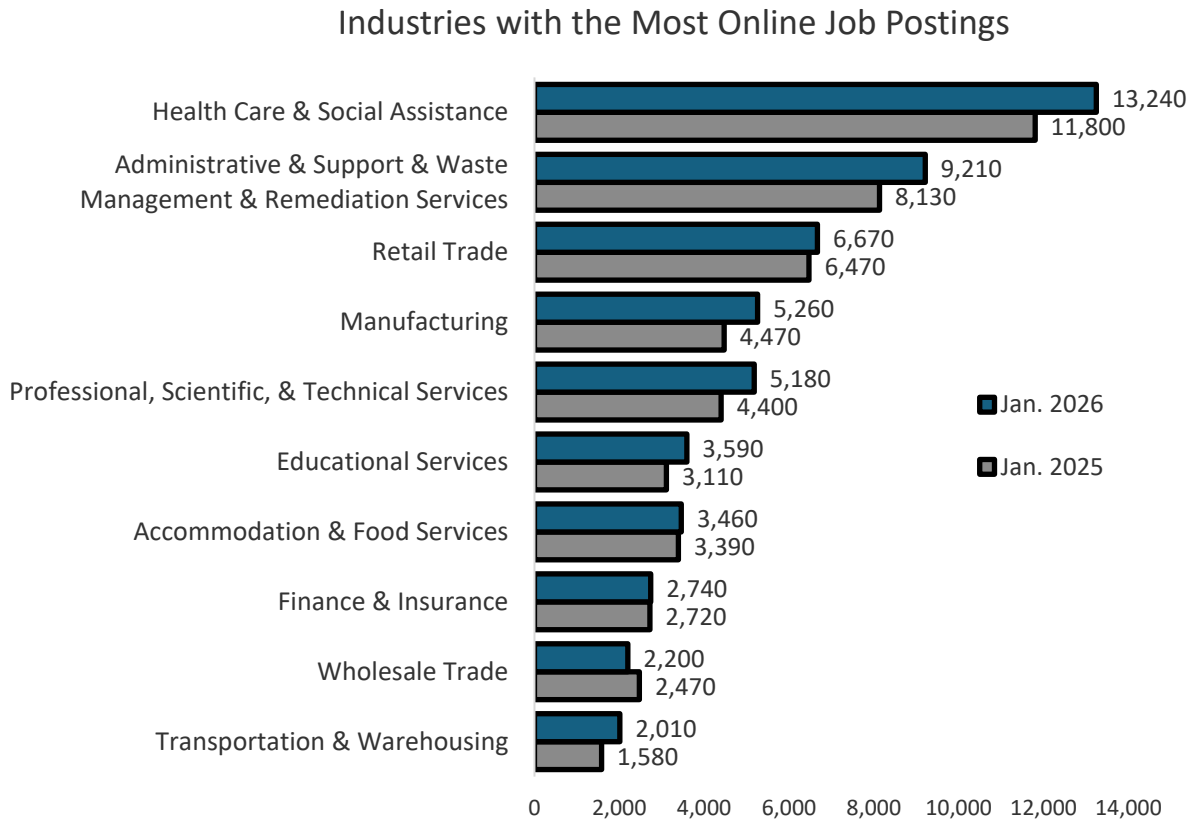
Top Occupations

The following chart shows the top 10 occupations with the most online job postings in January 2026 compared to the number of postings in January 2025. *Sales Representatives of Services* had the largest increase (66%), while *Sales Representatives, Wholesale & Manufacturing* had the largest decrease (-6%)



Top Industries

The following chart shows the industries with the most online job postings in January 2026 compared to the number of postings in January 2025. *Transportation and Warehousing* had the largest increase (27%), while *Wholesale Trade* was the only industry that decreased (-11%).



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